

Newsline Extra features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.

Workshop Registration Deadline Nearing

Library personnel have only one week remaining to register for the **“Crafting Your Message” Workshops**. These workshops are designed to help library directors and staffs across the state become better ambassadors for their libraries within their communities. **Registration closes at 5:00 p.m. on May 30, 2006.**

Workshops are scheduled for June 6 at the Poplar Bluff Public Library; June 8 at the Lebanon-Laclede County Library; and June 13 at the Ray County Library in Richmond. Trainers for all three workshops will be from the Institute of Public Policy at the Truman School of Public Affairs on the University of Missouri-Columbia campus.

Participants will gain knowledge and training in the areas of effective presentations, meeting management and community mobilization. Attendees will also gain skills in communicating the vision and mission of their library to their community.

Registration for this workshop is now open. Interested parties may register via the web at <http://www.sos.mo.gov/library/development/workshop/crafting>, by mail or by fax. For more information, contact Brenda Sites at brenda.sites@sos.mo.gov or 800-325-0131, ext. 13

LSTA Survey Available Until May 31

Secretary of State Robin Carnahan and State Librarian Margaret M. Conroy invite you to provide feedback about the effectiveness of the programs available to Missouri libraries through the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

LSTA funds may be used for two major purposes:

- 1) Technology and information access;
- 2) Targeted library services for special clientele.

State libraries may distribute LSTA funds through statewide initiatives and services and through grants or cooperative agreements to public, academic, research, school and special libraries in their state.

The State Library wants to ensure it is funding programs that best meet Missouri library needs. The survey asks your opinion of the current grants and statewide projects. It will take about 10 – 15 minutes to complete. Your suggestions are also wanted for new programs to address library needs. The target audience for the survey includes library staff and public library trustees.

The survey is available online through the month of May 2006 at:

www.sos.mo.gov/library/development/lstasurvey

Your participation in this survey is greatly appreciated. The survey results will be reported in an upcoming edition of *Newsline*. The results will be used to shape the LSTA

program for FY2008 and beyond. Please encourage all library staff that work with LSTA or other grant programs to participate.

Please contact Diana Very at 800-325-0131 ext 16 or diana.very@sos.mo.gov if you have questions about the survey.

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